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August 24, 2005

Mr. John W. Sippel, Jr.
Assistant United States Attorney
District of Maryland
36 S. Charles Street, Fourth Floor
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Dear Mr. Sippel:

You are hereby appointed as a Special Attorney to the United States Attorney General pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 515. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth below and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 515, you are authorized to file informations and to conduct in the District of Delaware any kind of legal proceedings, civil or criminal, including Grand Jury proceedings and proceedings before United States Magistrates which United States Attorneys are authorized to conduct.

This appointment is made subject to the following terms and conditions, with which we ask that you express your concurrence by signing this letter and returning it to me in the enclosed envelope:

1. This appointment is effective the date of this letter not to exceed August 23, 2006, unless extended;
2. With regard to all matters handled by you as a Special Attorney, you will report to and act under the direction of the United States Attorney General or his delegee, Rod J. Rosenstein;
3. During and after the term of your appointment, you will be subject to all laws, regulations and policies applicable to employees. These include, but are not limited to, the Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch, 5 C.F.R. § 2635 et seq., Federal conflict of interest statutes 18 U.S.C. §§ 207, 208, and 209; laws restricting the disclosure of certain confidential governmental information, 18 U.S.C. § 1905 and the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts, 5 U.S.C. § 552 and § 522a; and political activity restrictions, 5 U.S.C. § 7321 et seq.;

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4. You will serve without compensation other than that which you now receive as an employee of the Department of Justice; and
5. Your appointment may be terminated at any time without cause or notice.

Please execute the enclosed Appointment Affidavit which contains the oaths of office and return it to Richard Malek, Human Resources Assistant, Policy and Special Programs Division within fourteen (14) days. This appointment is effective upon the execution of the required oath of office.

You must file a copy of this letter with the Clerk of the District Court to evidence this appointment.

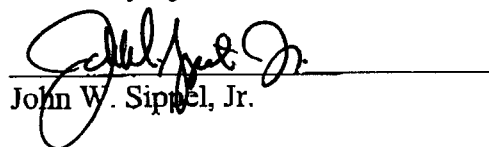
Sincerely,



Peter T. McSwain
Chief, Policy and Special Programs Division
Personnel Staff

Enclosure

The foregoing terms and conditions
are hereby agreed to and accepted:


John W. Sippel, Jr.

cc: Robert D. McCallum, Jr., Acting Deputy Attorney General

APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVITS

Special Attorney to the United States Attorney General
(Position to which Appointed)

09/24/2005
(Date Appointed)

Department of Justice
(Department or Agency)

United States Attorneys
(Bureau or Division)

Baltimore, Maryland
(Place of Employment)

I, John W. Sippel, Jr., do solemnly swear (or affirm) that--

A. OATH OF OFFICE

I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God.

B. AFFIDAVIT AS TO STRIKING AGAINST THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

I am not participating in any strike against the Government of the United States or any agency thereof, and I will not so participate while an employee of the Government of the United States or any agency thereof.

C. AFFIDAVIT AS TO THE PURCHASE AND SALE OF OFFICE

I have not, nor has anyone acting in my behalf, given, transferred, promised or paid any consideration for or in expectation or hope of receiving assistance in securing this appointment.


(Signature of Appointee)

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this 6th day of September, 2005

at Baltimore Maryland
(City) (State)

(SEAL)


(Signature of Officer)

Commission expires _____
(If by a Notary Public, the date of his/her Commission should be shown)

First Assistant United States Attorney
(Title)

Note - If the appointee objects to the form of the oath on religious grounds, certain modifications may be permitted pursuant to the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. Please contact your agency's legal counsel for advice.